# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
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ANTI DUMPING DUTY ON FISH PRODUCTS .
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**Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:**

(a) The average annual export of fish products from the country;

(b) the total quantity of various fish products exported during each of the last three years and the current year alongwith foreign exchange earned therefrom, variety-wise and country-wise;

(c) The steps taken/being taken by the Government to boost the export of fish products;

(d) The rate of rejection of Indian fish products; and

(e) The steps taken or being taken to eliminate the incidence of rejection of consignments of fish and fishery products?

## Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY(SHRI JAIRAM RAMESH)

(a) The average annual export of fish products from the country during the last three years was around US $ 1484 million.

(b) As per the export figures compiled by the Marine Products Export Development Authority (MPEDA), on the basis of shipping bills and invoices, the export of marine products to the major importing countries and the export of major items of marine products during the last three years and the current year (upto June,'06) were as follows :

(I) Export of marine products to the major importing countries:

(Quantity in Tonnes and Value in US Dollar Million)

(c) In order to increase the export of marine products, Government have been taking several steps, which include schemes for extending financial assistance to the seafood processing industry; steps to upgrade processing facilities to meet international standards of hygiene and quality; expansion of aquaculture; imparting training to aquaculture farmers to adopt sound management practices; assistance for production of value-added products for export; and marketing support.

(d) The rate of rejection of Indian fish products has been less than 1%.

(e) The MPEDA have been organizing training programme on implementation of hazard Analysis and Critical Control Programme (HACCP) to meet the international requirements. Trainings are conducted for seafood technologists / quality control personnel working in the processing establishments in order to upgrade the facilities. MPEDA also undertakes scrutiny of HACCP manuals of the processors and issues scrutiny and compliance certificates.